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fixed ends 22 greatly differ between filaments 30 close to each other, the movable ranges of the distal ends 21 also greatly differ. Thus, the dust collection areas covered by the individual movable portions differ from each other, so that in the main cleaning portion 20 as a whole, the dust collection areas overlap each other, making it easy to obtain a dust collection performance free from spots.

Further, since the positions of the distal ends 21 of filaments 30 close to each other and their movable ranges greatly differ, it is advantageously easy to avoid a deterioration in the dust collection performance of the main cleaning portion 20 due to entanglement and conglomeration of the filaments 30.

There are several methods of achieving such effects. All of the following methods, which have been described above, provide an effect of discontinuously varying the lengths and the positions of the filaments 30:

(A) the method in which a variation is previously imparted to the lengths of the filaments 30;

(B) the method in which when bundling the filaments 30 together to form the filament bundling body 31, the positions of the filaments 30 in the fiber directions are

made irregular; and

(C) the method in which the bundling portion 40 for bundling together the filaments 30 is formed by a plurality of short linear portions provided in a zigzag fashion.

Further, in the method of the present invention, in which the